


Non-Executive Report of the: <b>Tower Hamlets Health and Wellbeing Board</b> 10 December 2024	
<b>Report of:</b> Somen Banerjee, Director of Public Health	<b>Classification:</b> Unrestricted
<b>The future of the Tower Hamlets Health and Wellbeing Board – discussion paper</b>	

<b>Originating Officer(s)</b>	Somen Banerjee, Director of Public Health Warwick Tomsett, Director of Integrated Commissioning
<b>Wards affected</b>	All

### Executive Summary

The report is a discussion paper on future arrangements to ensure that the Health and Wellbeing fully meets its statutory role to provide system leadership to protect and improve the health and wellbeing of people who live and work in Tower Hamlets.

It recognises the context of the importance of outstanding partnership working needed to address the health challenges set out in the Darzi report that are magnified in Tower Hamlets by the levels of deprivation and poverty in the borough.

The paper reviews the current situation and recognise duplications and overlaps between the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Tower Hamlets Together Board as its subgroup that have emerged as place partnerships develop.

The paper opens up a discussion about clarifying lines of accountability, reducing duplication, alignment of planning, strategic alignment, resident involvement and the role of coproduction in strengthening the role of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

### Recommendations:

The Board is recommended to:

1. Discuss the proposals in the paper
2. Consider whether the Board is in agreement on the direction of travel proposed.

## **1. REASONS FOR THE DECISIONS**

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to set a direction for development the role of the Health and Wellbeing Board that is resident focussed and is effectively organised to address the health challenges and health inequalities face in the borough.

## **2. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

- 2.1 There may be alternative options that emerge through the discussion. However, making no change will continue the issues of duplication and the need for greater resident focus outlined in the paper.

## **3. DETAILS OF THE REPORT**

- 3.1 See attached report.

## **4. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 The purpose of the report is to explore how the Board can strengthen its focus on the health inequalities in the borough and create the conditions for all those who live and work in the borough to have the opportunity to be as health as possible.

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### **Linked Reports, Appendices and Background Documents**

#### **Linked Report**

- Tower Hamlets Health and Wellbeing Board – proposals for future arrangements

#### **Appendices**

- None.

#### **Local Government Act, 1972 Section 100D (As amended)**

#### **List of “Background Papers” used in the preparation of this report**

List any background documents not already in the public domain including officer contact information.

- None.

#### **Officer contact details for documents:**

N/A